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or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein:

- (a) A<sub>1</sub>, A<sub>2</sub>, A<sub>3</sub>, and A<sub>4</sub> are independently carbon or nitrogen wherein at least one of A<sub>1</sub>, A<sub>2</sub>, A<sub>3</sub> or A<sub>4</sub> is nitrogen, it being understood that when A<sub>1</sub>, A<sub>2</sub>, A<sub>3</sub> or A<sub>4</sub> is nitrogen, R<sub>4</sub>, R<sub>5</sub>, R<sub>6</sub> or R<sub>7</sub> does not exist, respectively;
- (b) R<sub>1</sub> is hydrogen or alkyl;
- (c) R<sub>2</sub> is oxygen or sulfur;
- (d) R<sub>3</sub> is hydrogen;
- (e) R<sub>4</sub>, R<sub>5</sub>, R<sub>6</sub>, and R<sub>7</sub> are optionally present and are each independently selected from (i) the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl, alkoxy, aryl, aryloxy, alkaryl, alkaryloxy, halogen, trihalomethyl, S(O)R, SO<sub>2</sub>NRR', SO<sub>3</sub>R, SR, NO<sub>2</sub>, NRR', OH, CN, C(O)R, OC(O)R, NHC(O)R, (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub> CO<sub>2</sub>R, and CONRR' or (ii) any two adjacent R<sub>4</sub>, R<sub>5</sub>, R<sub>6</sub>, and R<sub>7</sub> taken together form a fused ring with the aryl portion of the oxindole-based portion of the indolinone;
- (f) n is 0, 1, 2, or 3;
- (g) R is H, alkyl or aryl;
- (h) R' is H, alkyl or aryl; and
- (i) A is a five membered heteroaryl ring selected from the group consisting of thiophene, pyrrole, pyrazole, imidazole, 1,2,3-triazole, 1,2,4-triazole, oxazole, isoxazole, thiazole, isothiazole, furan, 1,2,3-oxadiazole, 1,2,4-oxadiazole, 1,2,5-oxadiazole, 1,3,4-oxadiazole, 1,2,3,4-oxatriazole, 1,2,3,5-oxatriazole, 1,2,3-thiadiazole, 1,2,4-thiadiazole, 1,2,5-thiadiazole, 1,3,4-thiadiazole, 1,2,3,4-thiatriazole, 1,2,3,5-thiatriazole, and tetrazole, optionally substituted at one or more positions with alkyl, alkoxy, aryl, aryloxy, alkaryl, alkaryloxy, halogen, trihalomethyl, S(O)R, SO<sub>2</sub>NRR', SO<sub>3</sub>R, SR, NO<sub>2</sub>, NRR', OH, CN, C(O)R, OC(O)R, NHC(O)R, (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>R or CONRR'.

### REMARKS

Claims 1 - 11 are pending. Claims 1 - 7 have been canceled and claim 8 has been amended. Entry of the amendments is respectfully requested.